

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank Examiner's Vo and Sanders for conducting an interview with Applicant's attorney, Benjamin A. Keim, on October 14, 2008.

During the interview, Applicant's representative presented arguments distinguishing the claims from the cited references. In particular, Applicant's attorney presented arguments that Simoudis does not disclose converting cases in a case library into structured objects, and thus, Simoudis does not disclose teach or suggest "aligning" as recited in Applicant's claims.

Applicant's attorney and the Examiners also discussed several proposed claim amendments during the interview. Applicant's attorney understood the Examiners to agree that including elements directed to "clustering" would overcome the §102 rejection. Applicant's attorney also understood the Examiners to tentatively agree that amending the claims as discussed during the interview would overcome the outstanding §101 and §112 rejections. Applicant's attorney further understood the Examiner's to indicated that the proposed amendments to the claims would require further review of the primary reference and possibly an additional search. Accordingly, Applicant herein amends the claims in the manner discussed during the interview.

All claims are believed to be allowable for at least the reasons discussed during the interview.